

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the second paragraph on page 1 with the following amended paragraph:

Application No. ~~XX/XXX,XXX~~ 09/375,860 entitled REMOTE MIRRORING SYSTEM, DEVICE, AND METHOD, filed in the names of Dennis Duprey and Jeffrey Lucovsky on even date herewith (~~Attorney Docket No. 1956/122~~), now issued as U. S. Patent No. 6,671,705; and

Please replace the third paragraph on page 1 with the following amended paragraph:

Application No. ~~XX/XXX,XXX~~ 09/376,173 entitled SYSTEM, DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR INTERPROCESSOR COMMUNICATION IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM, filed in the names of Alan L. Taylor, Jeffrey Lucovsky, and Karl Owen on even date herewith (~~Attorney Docket No. 1956/123~~).

Please replace the second paragraph on page 6 with the following amended paragraph:

The Drivers list includes a DriverCount indicating the number of LDDs in the list, and also includes a key for each LDD. The key includes an ordinal number, a driver name, a library name, a stack operations parameter, and an I/O initiator parameter. The ordinal number indicates the driver number within the Drivers list (not the relative position of the LDD within a device driver stack). The driver name specifies the LDD name that is used by the LDD registration system to identify the LDD. The library name specifies the name of an administrative library that is associated with the LDD. The stack operations parameter identifies certain LDD administrative operations that would alter the global mapping of devices in the device driver stack. The I/O initiator parameter indicates whether the LDD initiates I/O, in which case the driver must be instructed to quiesce I/O for the device driver stack when changes are made to that ~~device~~ device driver stack. FIG. 1 shows an exemplary Drivers list including a DriverCount and a key.

Please replace the second paragraph on page 9 with the following amended paragraph:

In addition to ensuring continued operation during failures, the interoperation of the various storage units in the computer storage system together with the redundant subsystems within each storage unit enable the various storage units in the computer storage system to provide many advanced functions. For example, the various storage units in the computer storage system can interoperate to maintain redundant copies of information at geographically disparate locations, and the various storage units in the computer storage system can also interoperate to perform "load balancing" across the various storage units in the computer storage system. A remote mirroring function is described in the related patent ~~application~~ No. 6,671,705 entitled REMOTE MIRRORING SYSTEM, DEVICE, AND METHOD, which was incorporated by reference above. Such interoperation requires special communications between the various storage units in the computer storage system, and more particularly between storage processors running in the various storage units.